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Ten Suggestions for Milk Consumers.

KEEP MILK CLEAN, COVERED, AND COLD.

1. Buy only the best milk obtainable. It is cheapest in the long run.
2. Consult the health department before selecting your milk dealer.
3. Buy only bottled milk if possible. Dipped milk is often dirty and deficient in cream.
4. Take milk into the house as soon as it is delivered, and place it in the refrigerator immediately. Bacteria increase rapidly in milk which stands in the sun or warms up, and such milk will sour quickly.
5. Keep milk in the original bottle in the refrigerator until the moment of serving. Milk which has been poured from the bottle should not be returned to it.
6. Keep the bottle covered with a paper cap or an inverted tumbler, to prevent the entrance of flies and dust, which may carry dangerous bacteria into the milk.
7. Keep the refrigerator clean and sweet by means of proper drainage and frequent washing with scalding water and sal soda, since milk quickly absorbs unpleasant odors and becomes less palatable.
8. Wash milk bottles as soon as emptied, by rinsing first with lukewarm water and then with hot water. If there is an infectious disease in your house, do not return any bottles except with the knowledge of the health department and under conditions which it may prescribe.
9. Return empty bottles promptly, and do not use them for anything except milk. Remember that they are the property of the dealer and represent cash.
10. Remember that clean milk, properly cared for, is one of the best foods obtainable. It is nourishing, digestible, and usually economical.

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